

**MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2021  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
SACRAMENTO-YOLO MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

PLACE: 8631 Bond Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:**

Craig Burnett	President	Folsom
Gar House	Vice President	Winters
Marcia Mooney	Secretary	Galt
Christopher Barker		Davis
Janell Darroch		West Sacramento
Sean Denny		Woodland
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County
Lyndon Hawkins		Elk Grove
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
Raymond LaTorre		Sacramento
Susan Maggy		Sacramento County
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Vacant		Isleton

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:**

None

**LEGAL COUNSEL:**

Jennifer Buckman

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Gary Goodman	Manager
Samer Elkashef	Assistant Manager
Marcia Reed	Laboratory Director
Marty Scholl	Ecological Management Supervisor
Steve Ramos	Program Coordinator
Luz Robles	Public Information Officer

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by President Craig Burnett.

**Roll Call**

This meeting was held and attended by Video Teleconference. Attendance was taken by Roll Call. All Trustees were in attendance; therefore, a quorum was present. The Isleton Trustee position is vacant.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

*All phones and electronic devices are requested to be silenced during the meeting.*

**Moment of Silence**

*A moment of silence was observed honoring the recent passing of Colin Powell.*

## **1. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD MEETING BE CONDUCTED BY TELECONFERENCE**

On a motion by Trustee Denny seconded by Trustee Hawkins, the Board voted to approve Item 1. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 0.

## **2. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT**

On a motion by Trustee Karpinski-Costa seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a through b. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 0.

- a. Minutes of the September 21, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for September 2021.

## **3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

*This item is reserved for members of the public who wish to speak on items not on the agenda.*

There were none.

## **4. REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

### **a. Manager's Report:**

The District's West Nile season is slowing down and virus activity has leveled off over the past few weeks. We continue to follow the Districts Mosquito Borne Disease Management Plan with enhanced surveillance and control efforts in response to positive dead birds or positive mosquito collections. The District is continuing to address the invasive *Aedes aegypti* species and new detections are being found in South Sacramento and the Rosemont areas. We anticipate that this species will begin to slow down significantly as the weather cools even more over the next few weeks. The District applied for fiscal relief from the 2021 Budget Act to help pay for unanticipated costs the District incurred due to COVID-19. We should know the amount approved by November with potential reimbursement happening in January. The District audit is complete and a report will be scheduled for November. The District is working with our benefit broker on new rates for the 2022 calendar year.

**b. Reports from District Departments:** Written reports were provided in the Board packet from each department. Department supervisors gave an oral presentation and were available to answer any questions.

**Lab/Surveillance:** Laboratory Director, Marcia Reed reported on department activity including mosquito surveillance and abundance, invasive *Aedes* detections, and collaborations. The testing season is coming to a close as is typical during this time of year. *Aedes* mosquitoes continue to be detected in Winters and the Arden areas with new detections in Rosemont and the South Sacramento. Various collaborations are finishing up for the season. Tick season and the District's surveillance program will be getting started very soon.

**Ecological Management:** Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl reported on department activity including the Wetland/Rice/Agriculture program, Storm water/Creek program, Fall Flooding, and UAS programs. Staff has been working with an outside company on the capabilities of incorporating LiDAR technology. Fall flooding has been much lower than previous years due to water availability.

**Biological Control:** Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley provided a written report.

**Larval and Adult Control:** Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos reported on department activities including Aerial Applications, Trials, Culex and West Nile Virus control, and Invasive Aedes control. The Catch Basin crew has treated and inspected more basins this year than any other year in the past. WALs treatments have been performed to reduce Aedes populations in various areas of the District and staff will continue monitoring and trapping area expansions.

**Public Outreach:** Public Information Officer, Luz Robles reported on department activities including recent media coverage focusing on yellow jackets, the status of our invasive species public relations programs, the end of the season's advertising campaign, and the District's repellent distributions over the last month.

## **5. BOARD REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF CALPERS VALUATION REPORT**

Manager Goodman presented the item and was available to respond to questions. He reviewed the current program and the status of the unfunded liability of the two District retirement tiers. No Board action was taken as this was an information only item.

## **6. BOARD REVIEW OF CANDIDATES AND CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORT FOR THE SPECIAL DISTRICT SEAT ON THE LAFCO BOARD**

Manager Goodman introduced the item to the Board for discussion. The District is afforded a vote to represent Special Districts on the LAFCO Board and the resumes of the candidates were included in the packet. On a motion by Trustee Hawkins seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board decided to select Ted Costa as the District's candidate with no vote cast for the alternate seat. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 0. Abstained: 1(Karpinski-Costa).

Mr. Huerta requested to speak prior to the Board going into closed session. Mr. Huerta discussed the union position as it relates to the unfair labor charge filed with PERB and urged the Board to direct staff to resolve the matter at the upcoming informal conference.

## **7. CLOSED SESSION-PROVIDE INSTRUCTION TO DESIGNATED LABOR REPRESENTATIVES (GOV. CODE S.54957.6-LABOR NEGOTIATIONS) AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE: [GARY GOODMAN, JANNA MCLEOD, SAMER ELKASHEF, CHRIS VOIGHT] EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION: [OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION #3]**

President Burnett called the Board into closed session at 11:12am. The Board re-opened the regular meeting at 11:27am reporting that the Board took no reportable action during the closed session.

## **8. BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AND REQUESTS**

The November Board meeting will be held virtually. The December meeting will also be held virtually and will be moved a week earlier to December 14<sup>th</sup>.

A discussion of the upcoming MVCAC and AMCA annual conferences was introduced.

Trustee Karpinski-Costa gave a report on the MVCAC Trustee training that she attended last month and was very appreciative of the information presented.

A contract for the Assistant Manager will be brought to the Board for vote in November.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:39 am

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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the October 19, 2021 meeting.

*Gary Goodman*

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Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the November 16, 2021 meeting.

*Marcia Mooney*

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Marcia Mooney, Board Secretary